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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)** CONCEDNING A SURMISSION LINDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If kn , see 37 CFR 1.5)

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| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR2004/01980 US  | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 23 July 2004   | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 25 July 2003            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Mar  | thias Fink, et al.   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United St  | ates Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/U  | S) the following items and other information: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. x This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 The US has been elected (Artic   | The US has been elected (Article 31).  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. x A copy of the International Appl  | A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a. is attached hereto (required  | is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| c. is not required, as the appli   | is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. x An English language translation   | of the International Application as filed  | I (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| b. has been previously submit  | has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7. x Amendments to the claims of the   | x Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| c. have not been made; howe  | have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. x have not been made and w  | x have not been made and will not be made.   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. An English language translation   | An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).                                     |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| An English language translation Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)   | An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT  Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern docur   | •  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. An Information Disclosure State  | ement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12. An assignment document for rec   | An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.                                |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13. x A preliminary amendment.   |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14. x An Application Data Sheet und  | x An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15. A substitute specification.  | A substitute specification.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 17. A computer-readable form of the  | A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.                                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18. A second copy of the published   | A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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